



Atty. Dkt. No. 023843-0101

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Steven B. BRIDGERS

Title: INTERNODAL CONNECTOR
ARCHITECTURE SYSTEM

Appl. No.: 09/729,743

1-1/R2 for B&L
ZP
6-28-7

Appl. Filing Date: 12/06/2000

Examiner: Michael P. Ferguson

Art Unit: 3679

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on ____.

Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ____ but not considered.

Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ____.

Other ____.

b. Enclosed are:

Amendment/Reply.

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Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

Information Disclosure Statement.

Form PTO-1449 with copies of ___ listed reference(s).

Petition for Extension of Time.

Miscellaneous:

Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)			\$750.00	\$750.00
Total Claims: <u>70</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>\$18.00</u>	<u>\$900.00</u>
Independents: <u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>\$84.00</u>	<u>\$84.00</u>
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			<u>\$280.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
		CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:		<u>\$1734.00</u>

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
[X]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$410.00	\$410.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$930.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,450.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$1,970.00	\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$410.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$2144.00
[X]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$1,072.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)		\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:		\$1,072.00

[X] A check in the amount of \$1,072.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date June 17, 2003

By Brian J. McNamara

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